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Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

1. The reply filed on 9/27/2006 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s):
2. Section 6 of the previous Office action mailed 6/27/2006 includes a typographical error. Said section 6 indicates that the Walker patent number is 5,794,207 however according to the PTO-892 attached to said Office action the actual patent number for the Walker Patent was supposed to be 6,240,396. The Walker patent number 5,794,207 does not appear to have ever been properly made of record via a PTO-892 or applicant IDS.
3. Regardless of whether the Walker patent 5,794,207 was ever properly entered into the record, applicant's response was directed towards said Walker patent 5,794,207. Consequently Applicant's response received 9/27/2006 is directed towards the wrong Walker patent and as such, said response is of no probative value.
4. Accordingly, Applicant should respond to this communication by amending the response received 9/27/2006 to be directed to the proper Walker patent, i.e. U.S. Patent 6,240,396. The Office regrets any inconvenience to applicant.
5. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. **EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).**


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6. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Daniel L. Greene Jr. whose telephone number is (571) 272-6876. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Fri 8:30am - 5pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, James P. Trammell can be reached on (571) 272-6712. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

7. Information regarding the status of an application may be obtained from the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. Status information for published applications may be obtained from either Private PAIR or Public PAIR. Status information for unpublished applications is available through Private PAIR only. For more information about the PAIR system, see <http://pair-direct.uspto.gov>. Should you have questions on access to the Private PAIR system, contact the Electronic Business Center (EBC) at 866-217-9197 (toll-free). If you would like assistance from a USPTO Customer Service Representative or access to the automated information system, call 800-786-9199 (IN USA OR CANADA) or 571-272-1000.

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